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MEMORANDUM FOR: Legislative Counsel

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SUBJECT

: Ervin Bill

We are receiving with increased frequency references to the Ervin Bill in the Journal of the Office of Legislative Counsel, and the Bill was one of the many items touched on when the staff of the House Committee visited us the other day. It would appear that sooner or later -- and we hope later -- the Director is going to have to testify, and, in anticipation of that event, we are going to have to again prepare the Director's testimony. Since the internal impact of the Ervin proposals will be in the Security and Personnel fields, we would like to ask that you provide the heads of those Offices with current information on legislative progress of the Bill in order that they may work on the material which will need to go into the paper for the Director. We would hope to avoid any need for last minute efforts.

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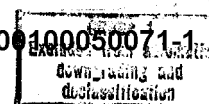
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Assistant Deputy Director
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cc: Director of Personnel
Director of Security

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Mr. Wilfred H. Rommel
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Dear Mr. Rommel:

Per our phone conversation Friday, enclosed is a letter we have recently received from Chairman Hanley regarding an early hearing on legislation to protect the invasion of privacy of Federal employees. I am also enclosing copies of all material we had thought of sending Chairman Hanley in response to this letter providing you have no objection. This is essentially the same material on which you acted favorably last year. We have been in touch with John Martiny and Dick Barton, of the Committee staff, and they seem to appreciate our problem.

As you are probably aware, in the last session the Ervin bill was considered by Representative Henderson's Subcommittee on Manpower and Civil Service and we found him, and I believe a majority of his Subcommittee, quite sympathetic. However, consideration of this type of legislation in this session has been assigned to the Hanley Subcommittee on Employee Benefits and we are not sure just how he and most of the members of his Subcommittee view the matter. We hope to take some soundings in the near future.

In view of our concern over this problem, we would be grateful for any advice or assistance you can give us.

Sincerely,

[Redacted Signature]

John M. Maury
Legislative Counsel

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